

**510(k) Summary (K121173)**

**Date: July 8, 2012**

**Company Name, Address and Contacts**

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Establishment Registration Number: 1649833

**Device Information**

Proprietary Name: Chord-X ePTFE Suture  
Common Name: ePTFE suture for chordae tendineae repair or replacement  
Classification Name: Non-absorbable expanded polytetrafluoroethylene surgical suture  
Classification Panel: Cardiovascular  
Classification: 21CFR878.5035  
Product code: PAW  
Class: II  
Substantial Equivalence:  
Gore-Tex ePTFE Suture – P820083 subsequently reclassified  
Osteogenics Cytoplast ePTFE Suture – K072076

**Device Description**

The device is a non-absorbable monofilament ePTFE suture provided in the following configurations and meeting the USP standards:

- USP 2-0 with 3/8 circle needle (Model – CX2038A)
- USP 2-0 with ½ circle needle (Model – CX2012A)
- USP 3-0 with 3/8 circle needle (Model – CX3038A)
- USP 3-0 with ½ circle needle (Model – CX3012A)

It is provided as a sterile, single use product and contains no dyes or additives.

**Intended Use**

Chord-X ePTFE suture is indicated to be used in repair or replacement of chordae tendinae.

### Summary of Technological Characteristics

Characteristic	Chord-X ePTFE Suture	Gore-Tex Suture for Chordae Tendineae	Osteogenics – Cytoplast Suture
Material(s)	ePTFE monofilament	ePTFE monofilament	ePTFE monofilament
Intended Use	Chordal repair	Chordal repair	Cardiovascular soft tissue
Meets USP	Yes	No - differs in diameter and knot pull strength	Yes
Configuration	USP 2-0 and 3-0	CV-4 CV-5 (approx. 2-0 and 3-0)	USP 4-0
Needle Choices	3/8 and 1/2 circular taper point	1/2 circular taper point	1/2 circular taper point
Packaging	Double peel-pouch type	Same type	Same type
Knot Pull Tensile Strength (2-0)	4.85 lbf	3.99 lbf	--
Stiffness	62779 kgf	35814 kgf	--
% Elongation	2.23%	3.30%	--
Usage	Single use	Single use	Single use
Sterilized	EtO	EtO	EtO
Shelf Life	3-year	3-year	Unknown

### Biological Test Data of Chord-X Suture

Biological Endpoint	Results
Cytotoxicity	Grade 0, Non-Cytotoxic
Sensitization	Non-Sensitizer
	Non-Sensitizer
Intracutaneous Irritation	Nonirritant
	Nonirritant
Acute Systemic Toxicity	No signs of acute, systemic toxicity
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Biological Endpoint		Results
Material Mediated Pyrogenicity		Nonpyrogenic
Hemocompatibility	ASTM Hemolysis – Direct Contact	Nonhemolytic
	ASTM Hemolysis - Extraction	Nonhemolytic
	C3a Complement Activation	Not an activator
	SC5b-9 Complement Activation	Not an activator

#### Physicochemical Results following Exhaustive Extraction of the Chord-X Suture

Extraction Vehicle	Sample Amount	Number of Extractions	Residue Mass	Residue Mass/cm Length
PW	123.7 cm <sup>2</sup> 89.5 cm length	2	0.2 mg	0.002 mg
Ethanol	127.2 cm <sup>2</sup> 90.0 cm length	2	0.4 mg	0.004 mg
Hexane	127.2 cm <sup>2</sup> 89.5 cm length	2	0.5 mg	0.006 mg

#### Infrared Scans of the Residues Obtained from the Chord-X Suture

Extraction Vehicle	IR Match	NAMSA Lab Number
PW	No major bands detected	12T_20903_15
Ethanol	No major bands detected	12T_20903_16
Hexane	No major bands detected	12T_20903_17

#### Shelf Life

Testing to validate shelf life for Chord-X final packaging was also conducted by LSO as per the requirements listed in ISO 11607-1. An accelerated aging method per the appropriate reference standard has been employed to simulate actual shelf life duration to 3-years. Sterile barrier and product integrity tests confirm that the package is robust enough to withstand shipping and storage for at least 3-years.

#### Sterilization

Ethylene oxide (EO) is used to sterilize the Chord-X Suture and the process is validated to ISO 11135-1. The sterilization validation established that the process and product meet the requirements of the standard.



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Re: K121173  
Trade/Device Name: Chord-X ePTFE Suture  
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 878.5035  
Regulation Name: Nonabsorbable expanded polytetrafluoroethylene surgical suture  
Regulatory Class: Class II  
Product Code: PAW  
Dated: July 8, 2012  
Received: August 9, 2012

Dear Mr. Ely:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act) that do not require approval of a premarket approval application (PMA). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration. Please note: CDRH does not evaluate information related to contract liability warranties. We remind you, however, that device labeling must be truthful and not misleading.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (PMA), it may be subject to additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be

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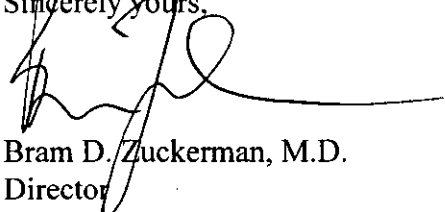
found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 898. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register.

Please be advised that FDA's issuance of a substantial equivalence determination does not mean that FDA has made a determination that your device complies with other requirements of the Act or any Federal statutes and regulations administered by other Federal agencies. You must comply with all the Act's requirements, including, but not limited to: registration and listing (21 CFR Part 807); labeling (21 CFR Part 801); medical device reporting (reporting of medical device-related adverse events) (21 CFR 803); good manufacturing practice requirements as set forth in the quality systems (QS) regulation (21 CFR Part 820); and if applicable, the electronic product radiation control provisions (Sections 531-542 of the Act); 21 CFR 1000-1050.

If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801), please go to <http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDRH/CDRHOffices/ucm115809.htm> for the Center for Devices and Radiological Health's (CDRH's) Office of Compliance. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21 CFR Part 807.97). For questions regarding the reporting of adverse events under the MDR regulation (21 CFR Part 803), please go to <http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/Safety/ReportaProblem/default.htm> for the CDRH's Office of Surveillance and Biometrics/Division of Postmarket Surveillance.

You may obtain other general information on your responsibilities under the Act from the Division of Small Manufacturers, International and Consumer Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 796-7100 or at its Internet address <http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/ResourcesforYou/Industry/default.htm>.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bram D. Zuckerman', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Bram D. Zuckerman, M.D.  
Director  
Division of Cardiovascular Devices  
Office of Device Evaluation  
Center for Devices and  
Radiological Health

Enclosure

### Indications for Use

510(k) Number (if known): K121173

Device Name: Chord-X ePTFE Suture

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Chord-X ePTFE Suture for chordae tendinae repair or replacement is indicated for the repair or replacement of chordae tendinae.

Prescription Use Yes  
(Part 21 CFR 801 Subpart D)

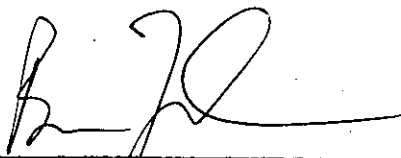
AND/OR

Over-The-Counter Use \_\_\_\_\_  
(21 CFR 807 Subpart C)

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)

  
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(Division Sign-Off)  
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